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1. [REDACTED] two submarines submerging as his ship left the harbor of Odessa.

2. [REDACTED] three small anti-torpedo boats. All had radar. One, marked T. 62, repeatedly left and re-entered the harbor. For a rough sketch of the silhouette of these ships see Sketch No. 1 on page 3 of this report.

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3. [REDACTED] a jet plane, with swept-back wings, flying over the harbor.

25X1X 4. [REDACTED] the weather was foggy [REDACTED] went ashore only once. The following is an explanation of the plan of the harbor of Odessa given on page 4 of this report.

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(1.) Position [REDACTED] ship berthed and loaded part of her cargo of anthracite. Depth of water was up to 24 feet.

(2.) Position where the ship completed loading. Depth of water was 26-27 feet.

(3.) The storehouses indicated in the plan no longer exist. The place has been leveled and coal has been piled there in open storage.

(4.) Position of the SS LIBOV, a 1500-ton Soviet passenger ship.

(5.) Position where two dismantled Soviet ships were seen. One of them was a freighter and the other a small passenger ship.

(6.) Position where an unidentified Soviet 3000-ton freighter was loading general cargo for Japan.

25X1X (7.) The Pratique Harbor. Four or five patrol ships (auxiliary ships of the navy) were seen there, [REDACTED] The three anti-torpedo boats described in paragraph 2 above were berthed here.

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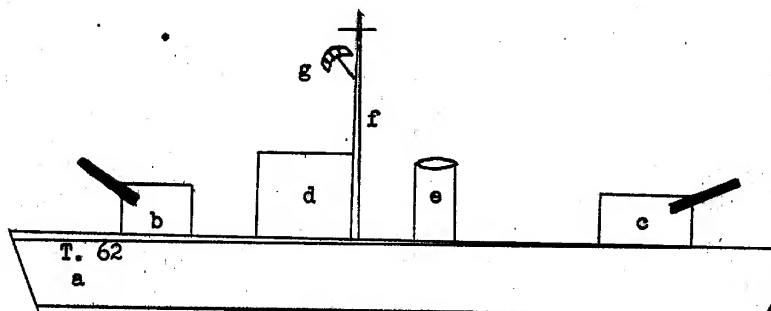
- (8.) The storehouses indicated in the plan no longer exist. The place has been leveled and there are piles of coal along the entire length of the pier. There are four cranes on each side of the pier (a total of eight cranes). The cranes are electric powered, and each one has a lifting capacity of 15 tons. These are revolving cranes. The arm of each crane had "Made in England" imprinted on it.
- (9.) There are three 7-ton electric-powered cranes along this pier. These cranes move on tracks. 25X1X
- (10.) Position where a warship was seen. It resembled a cruiser, but [redacted] unable to describe it exactly because of the fog. [redacted] saw the prow of the ship as far as the single stack. There was a radar installation on the mast with an antenna shaped like that in Sketch No. 2 on page 4, located in front of the bridge and to the side. Probably there was a radar screen on each side, but informant saw only one side. There were two steel columns (of unknown use) which were wider than the mast. The stack of the vessel was tall and large and very near the prow.
- (11.) Each of two dry docks was repairing a freighter. They could not be seen clearly.
- (12.) Position where the Greek freighter RICHARD LYONS was loading grain.
- (13.) Position where a Bulgarian freighter, of about 6000 tons, was loading general cargo.
- (14.) The Greek-owned Liberty ship MONTE RAITOR (sic) was berthed at this position.
- (15.) Position where a Soviet trim, new, three-masted vessel was seen. She is used as a naval training ship. She is painted a dark color, almost black.
- (16.) This storehouse was half destroyed by the wind and is being repaired.
- (17.) Position where the GRUZIYA, a Soviet passenger ship of more than 10,000 tons, was seen.

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Sketch No. 1: Soviet Anti-Torpedo Boats in Odessa



- a. Markings
- b. Gun turret
- c. Square turret with one AA gun (caliber unknown)
- d. Bridge of the vessel
- e. Stack near bridge
- f. Mast
- g. Radar

Sketch No. 2: Radar observed on Soviet Warship in Odessa

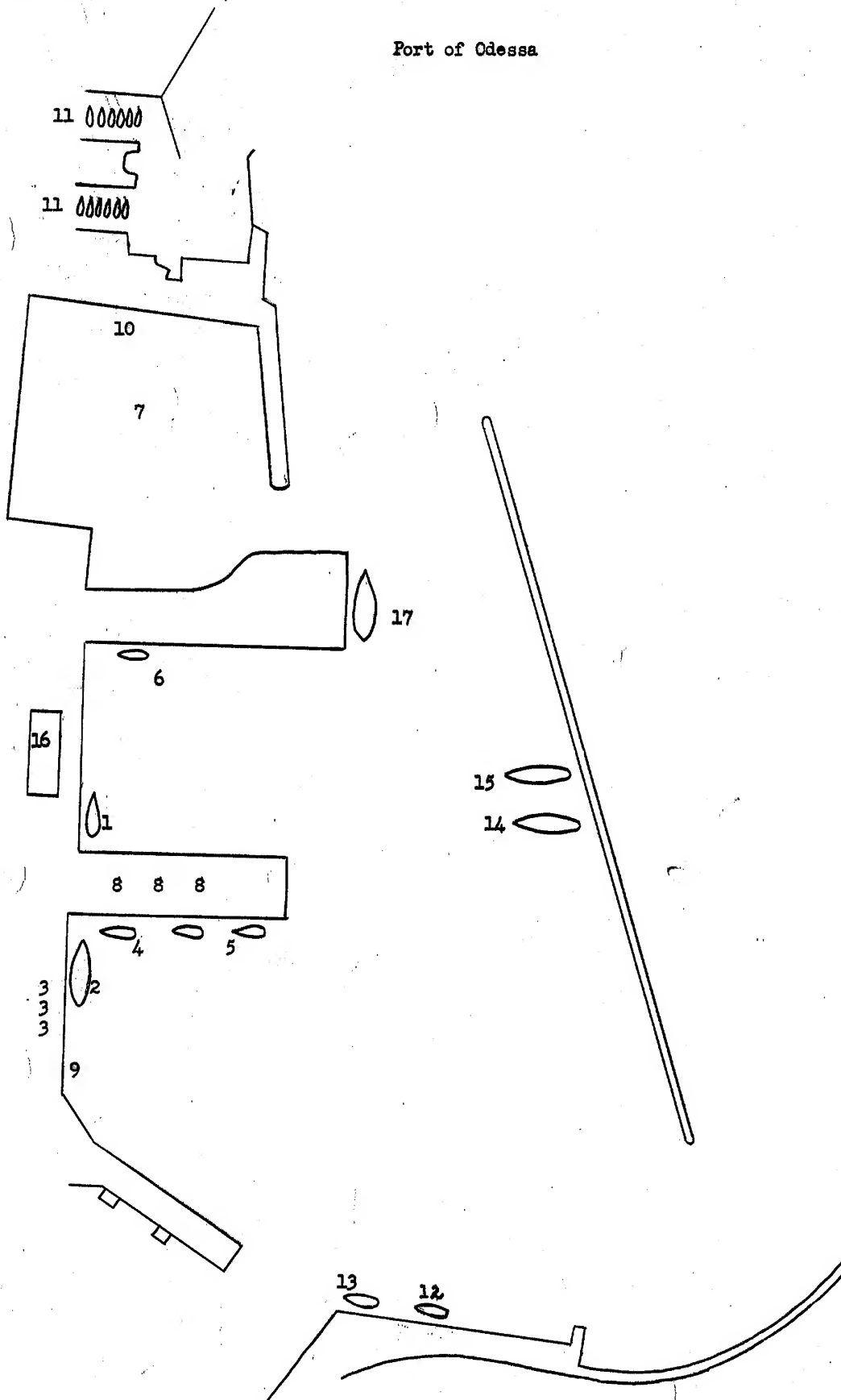


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